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RESPONSE TO FINAL OFFICE ACTION OF OCTOBER 12, 2005

Box AF Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

This paper is submitted in response to the Final Office Action of October 12, 2005, to further highlight why the application is in condition for allowance.

Please amend the case as listed below.